

Final Fifteen Per Cent Contingent Called for Service

FORTY-EIGHT MEN CALLED TO COLORS ON NEXT TUESDAY; LEAVE WEDNESDAY

MORGAN COUNTY EXEMPTION BOARD ORDERS SUFFICIENT SELECTMEN TO REPORT TO COMPLETE FIRST CALL QUOTA OF 328.

NO MORE DURING THIS YEAR

BELIEVED NOW THAT THE SECOND CALL WILL NOT BE ISSUED UNTIL EARLY FEBRUARY. LIST OF THOSE WHO WILL GO.

Forty-eight selectmen—28 white men and 20 negro men—are today being notified to report at the Morgan county court house at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of Tuesday, December 11, for military service. The men will be dispatched to Camp Pike, Ark., Little Rock, on Wednesday morning, December 12, at 11:25 o'clock over the Southern railway.

When this contingent goes forward Morgan county will have completed its full quota of 328 men under the first call. In addition to those sent forward and who will go next week, eleven men will leave tomorrow and will fill vacancies caused by rejections.

The 48 men who are to mobilize next Tuesday represent the final 15 per cent contingent under the first call. It is not now believed that the second call will be made before next February.

The men called out today are:
John R. Parker.
Arthur W. Widner.
James T. Orr.
Andrew J. May.
Thos. P. Harvell.
Jno. W. Fortenberry.
Louis Hartselle.
Jno. T. H. Baker.
Thos. G. Jones.
Geo. E. Patteson.
John R. Jennings.
Evvit Martin.
Eddie H. Phillips.
Oscar Mann.
Richard E. Martin.
J. C. Reithmen.
W. R. Willis.
Marcus McAnally.
Robt. D. Nelson.
Amos Alexander.
Clarence Warren.
Henry Gillebreath.
Fred B. Littlefield.
Oris Bowers.
James P. McAnare.
Joseph W. Bondendorf.
Jesse Turner.
Wesley McCurley.
Wm. R. Robinson.
Hymus E. Hargrove.
Carlisle Blackwell.
Alfred H. Cheatwood.
Colored Men.
Thos. Chapman.
M. P. Garth.
Harrison Gill.
Robert Bridgeforth.
Ed Edmunson.
Boston Garner.
John Tarpley.
Zealand Moore.
Charlie Johnson.
Silas Hunter.
Wm. Rogan.
Wm. A. Key.
Steitin Jones.
Jim E. Stewart.
Rolt. L. Orr.
Will Holland.
T. S. Field.
Oscar Mays.
E. S. Malone.
Daniel W. Wilhite.
Matthew Watkins.

Broke An Arm Falling On Stairway

Mrs. Thomas Kearns had the misfortune to fall down a flight of stairs, sustaining a fracture of her right arm. She was resting easy at last accounts.

BIG CONGREGATION HEARS NEW PASTOR OF CENTRAL BAPTIST IN STRONG SERMON

DR. W. P. WILKS SPOKE SUNDAY MORNING ON "THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT," BUILDING BEING FILLED TO CAPACITY.

CALL TO THE HARD TASK

CHURCH IS NOT A ONE-RING CIRCUS. PREACHER CAN'T DO ALL THE WORK, BUT MUST HAVE HIS HANDS UPHELD BY CONGREGATION.

Central Baptist church people made it unanimous yesterday morning in attendance at their 11 o'clock meeting for worship. Not only the auditorium of this church, but the Sunday school room was used to seat the congregation, which was composed largely of regular members of this church. Rev. W. P. Wilks, formerly of the First Baptist church of Cullman, who has accepted the call to become pastor of the Central church, was in attendance and preached a sermon which proved to be one of power from the text: "And Aaron and Hur stayed up his (Moses) hands, the one on the one side and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun." And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword." Ex. 17-12-13.

Dr. Wilks' subject was "A Triumphant Church," and he spoke in part as follows:

In the days of the Roman Empire, we read of the triumphal entry into their capital city by generals returning victorious. This entry, however, was not the triumph, but a celebration of the triumph already won on the battlefield. We sometimes hear the words, "The Church Triumphant" applied to the final glorification of the saints after ceasing from the labors of this life. That, though, is only the celebration of the triumph already won upon earth. God intends for His people here to be a victorious people.

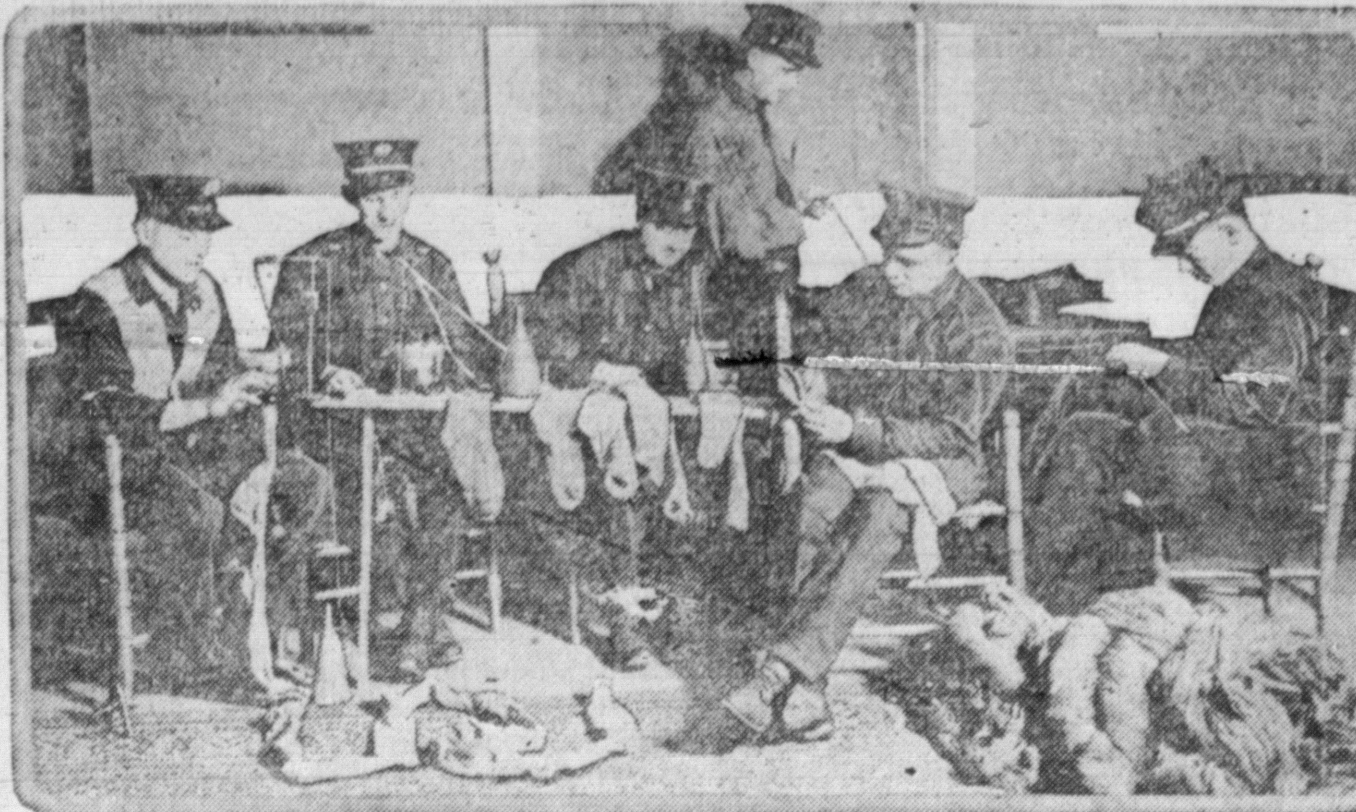
For the beginning of a pastorate under the conditions confronting us, I know nothing more appropriate than the incident read a bit ago. Israel is looked upon as typical of the church. In the battle won at Rephidim there are so many essentials for success now as well as then that we would do well to consider our problems in the light of this passage.

A Difficult Battle.
Amalek had an army of trained men who were used to warfare. They knew how to fight and thus presented a great obstacle in the path of Israel to that land which the Lord had said unto them: "I will give it unto thee." But they did not back down because of the difficulty. God has a way of appealing to the heroic element in real men and women.

The call to a hard task is one of His greatest calls. You remember that when Italy was under the galling yoke of Austria, Garibaldi raised an army in revolt. It is said that Austrian envoys came to his people and offered them gold and ease and pleasure if they would desert Garibaldi and submit to Austria. When Garibaldi was asked what he offered them to remain with him, he answered: "I promise you poverty and pain, hunger and rags, wounds and hard marches; but in the end an Italy made free in which we may rejoice together." Caught by this appeal to the heroic, the Italians rallied to him as never before and struck the Austrian shackles from their beloved land.

Such is the call which you sought my services and such is the appeal we must make to those who will unite with us. We have a task that is hard. Weaklings may shrink away from it, but real men will stand up to it. (Continued on Page Four)

EVEN THE FIREMEN ARE KNITTING FOR THE SOLDIERS



Knitting for the soldiers is no longer confined to the women. The firemen of Rome, N. Y., have found quite a deal of time to spare while waiting in their firehouse for blazes to start. So all day and all night those on duty are at their knitting turning out socks for the American fund for French wounded, which installed three knitting machines in engine house No. 2.

Thirteen Billions Year's War Cost

(International News Service.)
Washington, Dec. 3.—It will require \$13,018,725,594.64 to run the United States government during the legislative year of 1918. Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo today so informed congress. The figures were less than those demanded from the final session of the sixty-fourth congress and

the special session of the sixty-fifth (war) congress. The total of the cash provided by the latter, too, figures of which accompanied today's estimate, show that a total of \$18,396,361,267.59 was provided at these two sessions. This sum included \$7,000,000,000 appropriated for the purchase of "obligations of foreign governments."

All Registrants Must Furnish New Addresses to Board of Exemption

The following self-explanatory telegram from Adjutant General Hubbard was given out today by the Morgan county exemption board:

The following telegram has been received from the provost marshal general. You are requested to give all publicity possible to its contents. Please have publication made in your local newspapers as a news item, but without cost to the government:

Please cause the broadest and most extensive and continuous possible publicity to be given through the adjutant general, local and district boards, the newspapers and by all other possible means of warning to all registrants who have changed their places of abode and postoffice address to communicate immediately with their local boards where they are registered and furnish their present address so that questionnaires, which will begin to be mailed December 15, will reach such registrants without delay. Registrants are bound by law to keep themselves advised of all proceedings

in respect of them, and failure to do so may result in their losing right to claim exemption or discharge. Please request newspapers to give this warning broad and continuous publication from this time until the process of mailing questionnaires has been accomplished.

Under the new regulations, no registrant may enlist voluntarily in the military service of the United States on or after December 15, 1917, except that "under such regulations as the surgeon general may prescribe, and upon receiving permission from the surgeon general to do so, any medical student, hospital interne, dentist, dental student, veterinarian or veterinary student may enlist in the enlisted reserve corps of the medical department." In the meantime, the provisions of the old regulations that a man who has been called for physical examination by his local board is ineligible for voluntary enlistment, will be carefully observed.

G. J. HUBBARD,
Brigadier General.

Mr. J. W. Hurst "Kicks in" On Morgan County Boys' Tobacco Fund

J. W. Hurst "kicked in" today on the Morgan County Boys' Tobacco Fund, mailing the Daily a check for \$1.00 which was enclosed in the following letter:

Albany, Ala., Dec. 3, 1917.
Mr. Editor:—You will find check for \$1.00 for Boys' Tobacco Fund "over there." United we stand; divided we fall, and great will be the fall.

J. W. HURST.
R. F. D. 1.
Contributions to date:
Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Carriger, \$1.00
Mrs. Chas. C. McKelvy, \$1.50
Cash, \$1.00
E. H. Rigby, .50
Samuel Spielberger, \$2.00
E. R. Whitton, \$1.00
D. P. Humphrey, \$1.00
Winona Council No. 3, Junior Order, \$3.00
Mrs. Wiley Robertson, \$1.00

Decatur Encampment No. 26
I. O. O. F., \$5.00
Macabees of the World, \$2.00
A. D. Cohen, \$2.00
"Cash", \$1.00
Hal Mullen, \$1.00
S. Addie Vest, \$1.00
S. L. Tapscott, .50
E. R. Wright, \$1.00
Dr. Ira Delameter, \$1.00
Mrs. Pete Ballas, \$5.00
G. W. Johnson, \$1.00
W. H. Day, \$2.00
I. J. Kuhn, \$1.00
W. O. Henderson, \$1.00
J. B. Schimmel, \$4.00
Chas. Rountree, 2.00
Father Sheridan, 1.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Edmunson, \$3
Albany-Decatur Daily, 2.00
Cash, 1.00
J. E. Harrison, \$1.00
R. H. Wolcott, 3.00
H. R. Thompson, 1.00
Left over from previous fund \$13

CONGRESS OPENS WITH BARE QUORUM OF MEMBERS AT THE POST OF DUTY

WITH LONG SESSION AHEAD, SOLONS SLOW ABOUT LEAVING THEIR WARM FIRESIDES.

MESSAGE HEARD TUESDAY

PRESIDENT TO TELL OFFICIAL BODY WHAT THERE IS TO DO IN HELPING TO WIN THE WAR.

(International News Service.)
Washington, Dec. 3.—Promptly at noon today both houses were called to order for the second session of the sixty-fifth congress. Except for a brief greeting, when Speaker Clark entered the chamber, the opening of the session in the house was purely routine. The chaplain prayed for divine guidance in this, the darkest hour in human history.

Bills were dropped into the basket on the speaker's table by the score as soon as the house was in order. The roll call showed that 325 representatives, out of a membership of 435, were present. Speaker Clark appointed Democratic Leader Kitchin, Acting Leader Gillette and Representative Fitzgerald as a committee to notify the senate and the president that the house had convened. Upon the return of the senate and house committees from the White House, Representative Kitchin made formal announcement of the president's desire to address the joint session tomorrow. The house adjourned at 1:40.

(International News Service.)
Washington, Dec. 3.—The stage was set today for the opening of the second session of the sixty-fifth congress, but many of the players, including some of the stars, were missing. Scarcely more than a quorum was on hand. Realizing that they have a long job ahead of them, scores of senators and representatives have postponed their return to Washington until tomorrow and many until after the holidays. With only perfunctory opening proceedings scheduled interest centers upon President Wilson address to both houses in joint session tomorrow afternoon.

ENGLAND IS CURIOUS REGARDING MESSAGE
(International News Service.)
London, Dec. 3.—President Wilson's speech to the American congress is being awaited here with great interest by all classes. This curiosity has been intensified by the possibility that the executive may refer in some way to the peace letter of Lord Lansdowne.

MASNIERES TAKEN IN HUN DRIVE AROUND CAMBRAI

Germans Strive Desperately to Regain Lost Ground, With Some Success

BRITISH STERNLY RESIST ALL ASSAULTS

Artillery Duel is Raging On the Italian Front Where Invaders Fail Break Through

(International News Service.)

The battle of Cambrai still rages in northern France. The Germans made a heavy assault against the British positions at Moeuvres on the northern edge of the Cambrai salient during the night, but were beaten off. Other attacks made in less force at Bourlon broke down.

American engineers, who were at work behind the British front when the Germans launched their encircling movement against both sides of the Cambrai salient on Friday, have played an important part in the fighting. Caught in the thick of the fray when the British lines gave way, the Americans threw down their tools, picked up rifles from fallen soldiers and fought shoulder to shoulder with their British comrades, distinguishing themselves for their bravery.

A semi-official dispatch from Berlin says 140 officers were among the British prisoners captured on the Cambrai front. The Germans have suffered enormous losses in the past three days' fighting at Cambrai and parts of the battlefield are literally covered with the slain.

(International News Service.)

Berlin, Dec. 3.—Prince Rupprecht's German army on the Cambrai front has captured 6,000 British prisoners and 100 guns since it began its counter drive last Friday morning, the war office reported today. Numerous violent British counter attacks northwest and southwest of Cambrai have been repulsed.

(International News Service.)

Amsterdam, Dec. 3.—There were 140 officers among the British prisoners captured on the Cambrai front on Friday and Saturday, according to semi-official advices from Berlin today. German airmen, flying at low altitude, took a prominent part in the fighting by pouring machine gun fire into the British trenches.

(International News Service.)

London, Dec. 3.—The mighty struggle around Cambrai continued today with both the Germans and British stubbornly contesting every inch of the corpse-dotted and blood soaked soil.

South of Cambrai, the Germans have made a concentrated effort to break through the British lines on the southern end of the salient. Some ground was taken by the Germans at a terrible cost of human life and the British were compelled to give up the village of Masnières, but the Germans failed to achieve their main objective.

Coincident with the battle at Cambrai, there has been another flare-up of fighting on the West Flanders front near Passchendaele where heavy artillery duels have been in progress for a week.

NO OFFICIAL WORD ON PART PLAYED BY U. S.
(International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 3.—The war department today was without official word from the fighting reported in the press dispatches from France engaged in by certain units of the American engineers. It is expected that an official report will come along later from Gen. Pershing.

The units engaged were members of one of the ten regiments of railway employees organized at the outset of the war to construct and operate railroads behind the western war front. For weeks these men have been constructing railways and moving supplies directly up to the firing line behind the British, French and American fronts under heavy shell fire of the big German guns.

HUNS TRY BLAST WAY FORWARD IN ITALY.
(International News Service.)

Rome, Dec. 3.—Frustrated in their attempt to cut through the Italian lines on the Asiago plateau and the Piave river with their infantry, the Austro-German invaders are now trying to blast their way forward with their artillery. The struggle now raging must be classed as an artillery battle.

Advices from the front told of a gain by the Bersagliers in the Monte Pica sector, but the Italians afterwards withdrew voluntarily because the new positions were caught under a cross fire from enfilading guns. Italian airmen told of fresh concentration of enemy troops along the lower Piave. The efforts of the Germans to roll back the defenders between the Brenta and Piave valleys and to get behind the Piave line have failed utterly before the gallant resistance of the Italians and their support of British and French soldiers.
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WAR COUNCIL IS GETTING RESULTS

DELEGATES WERE PLEASED WITH WHAT WAS DONE AT CONFERENCE.

(International News Service.)
Paris, Dec. 3.—The inter-allied war conference and the grand war council to consider great economic and military questions, have proved a complete success. While the decisions reached are kept secret, there was every indication today that the delegates from the United States and the other countries in the world conflict ranged on the side of the entente are supremely pleased with the solutions arrived at.

The war council, whose chief task was to unify the conduct of the war, will sit permanently at Versailles, while the future sessions of the war conference which is to handle economic and political questions, will be held at London.

One Soldier Killed; Band of Bandits Is Annihilated

(International News Service.)
Presidio, Texas, Dec. 3.—The band of 35 Mexican bandits which raided J. Tigners' ranch Friday was annihilated Saturday by American troops who crossed the Rio Grande into Mexico, it was learned here today. One American trooper, Private Riggs of the Eighth cavalry, was killed.

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PERSPECTIVE NECESSARY IN JUDGMENTS ABOUT THE WAR.

It will be recalled that about a year ago when Germany made a determined drive for peace, that the whole matter of peace, terms and all, was delegated to, or rather taken over, by the Kaiser and his imperial chancellor. In the present German drive for peace it is the German chancellor who is the spokesman, and, presumably, he and the Kaiser now have the same authority as was theirs in the former peace effort. It is all very well to listen to the chancellor's sweet speech of peace, recently made in the Reichstag, if ready to trust Potsdam promises, which President Wilson says he is not, or was not at least a few weeks ago. Who wants to trust the German imperial government will do so, and for such discussion is valueless and uninteresting. But for whoever has a lingering doubt as to whether or not to trust the Kaiser and his chancellor, this doubt will grow stronger in view of the mighty issues that are at stake in this war.

In the first place take the long look. Viewed from the centuries, it is a fact that democracy is a sure enough "infant industry," and badly needs protection. Our democracy, only something over a hundred years old, proves nothing. The republic of the Romans was about as well established when it fell. And so were the democracies that are now dead. Our snug hope of a perpetual self-governing state rests upon nothing tangible. To assume that we have our dearly bought liberties to have and to hold forever is, like all assumptions, futile. Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty, used to be the watchword, and it must continue to be the watchword if we are to make the world safe for ourselves and democracy.

Do we want the German imperial foreign office to be the guardian angel of the world's future? How long would a Kaiser-made peace last? Do we want such a renegade as the Kaiser, but who says he is in partnership with deity, to break the laws of the world, break their hearts, destroy at will the lives of the people of the world? Do we want to leave at large what Samuel Gompers well called "a gang of murderers? Not on your life! For if your life is to help pay the forfeit against such a fate, you would surrender it. That is, if you have the right perspective and are living the right kind of a life. Lansdowne must have thought that civilization was made up of material things when he got fearful lest more warring destroy civilization. Civilization is a matter of ideals and liberty under law, two things that the German imperial government is absolutely unable to conceive of, much less give to the world. Lansdowne, the English "junker" and noted Tory throne prop, takes just the opposite view of the great poet, Kipling. Kipling says: "For all we have and are, for all our children's fate, stand up and face the war; the Hun is at the gate! Though all we have depart, the old commandment stands, 'in courage keep thy heart, in strength lift up thy hand.'"

The voice of Kipling will prevail, not the voice of Lansdowne, throughout England's mighty people. Wilson's sentiments, the one—we will not trust the corrupt German imperial government—and the other—we will not lay down our arms until we make the world safe for democracy—will prevail in America, and among all the honorable nations now allied against Germany and her allies.

COURTS TO REVIEW LIQUOR CAMOUFLAGE.

William L. Martin, attorney general of Alabama, has asked the courts to review the advertisements appearing in the Montgomery Times, the Montgomery Advertiser, the Birmingham News and the Birmingham Age-Herald, copy for which was furnished by

the National Brewers' Association. The purpose of the advertising, while not plainly stated, is apparently to create a sentiment in the state favorable to a modification of the present state-wide laws, so as to permit the sale of light wines and beers. In order to get their products upon the market, the brewers have thrown down the gauntlet to the distillers and in their advertisements openly charge that whiskey is injurious, and openly plead for the prohibition of its sale.

The charge made against the fire water by the brewers is similar to that made by the public and the advocates of temperance against other liquors, that both "cneer and insubriate"—that they are harmful and a menace to mankind. The brewers claim that lager and wines are "temperance drinks," but this contention is not borne out by facts nor past experience. The very fact that it is necessary to buy newspaper space in order to debate the question, in itself conveys the idea that there must be considerable doubt even in the minds of the men who grow rich from the excesses of their patrons. It is worthy of note, in this connection, that pure water has never yet needed an advocate to plead its cause as a temperance beverage.

The point of law involved in the present action, however, is whether or not the state-wide prohibition of the publication of "liquor advertisements" refers to the exploiting of specific brands of wet goods, or whether it is broader and covers any paid matter than has for its object "the down of the prohibition bars. This camouflage beneath which the brewers have concealed their heavy artillery preparatory to a new offensive in Alabama should be swept aside and their real purposes revealed. The technicalities of the law may prevent this.

The newspapers of Alabama that have stood solidly for temperance do not accept advertising of this kind. The list of defendants in the injunction proceedings brought by the attorney general is an index of the fighting strength of the wet forces in the forthcoming campaign.

THE POPULAR VERDICT IS THAT WOMAN SHOULD KILL.

It is doubtful if there is a single newspaper reader who felt a thrill of surprise when they scanned the glaring headlines telling of the acquittal of Blanca De Saulles for the murder of her husband. She was wealthy, she was beautiful and she was a woman. The combined bars of the world could not afford three such able advocates.

It is almost certain that the average American did not believe that the pretty Chilean heiress was bereft of her wits or that her mental capacity was in the least impaired. There was nothing in her manner as a witness, nothing in her actions as a woman, to justify such a conclusion. Extremely human, decidedly impulsive, she killed her big athlete of a husband when she found that he had played her false. To satisfy the law she pleaded insanity; to satisfy the public she pleaded "mother love."

This case but served to again call attention to the peculiar attitude of mere man toward the "deadlier of the species," and of mere woman as well. Should a woman violate the conventionalities by discretions trifling or otherwise she is likely to be subjected to social ostracism, to a lingering life of shame—more terrible than a prison sentence. If she kills the man she loves, and tells a pretty story in connection, she goes scot free. On the other hand, if the man violates the conventionalities an hundred times he is not dishonored. If he slays his wife or a rival he is promptly hung.

Why these distinctions? The only answer is that the primal human is given the ascendancy above the law. Juries return verdicts according to their own ideas of what is right and wrong, what is permissible and what is taboo. The plain letter of the written statute, like the tablets of stone, is only too often broken into bits.

"PINCHING IN."

At the dances given here in attractive Anniston, we no longer "break" when we want to dance with ye ladye faire; but, instead, we "pinch in."

That's what the Britishers have taught us to do, and it came about in this way. One of the officers from headquarters was bringing an English officer to the dance, and to acquaint him with the Southern informal customs he explained that he was liable to be "broken" at any time while dancing. To show that he understood the situation, therefore, the Britisher said to the first young lady whom he favored:

"Some chap is already about to pinch you, doncher know?"

"But I don't quite understand you, sir," she replied rather haughtily.

"Oh, I beg pardon; I mean pinch in, doncher know—pinch in." And about that time some chap "broke in" and broke up the conversation; so she understood that to be "pinched" does not always mean what Caruso did in the monkey house, or what the cop does when he puts a guy in the jug.

Incidentally, it might be said that if the purists want to exercise sway in the use of the English language they'll have to "pinch in" more often on both sides of the Atlantic.—Anniston Star.

BOLSHEVIKI FEARS ASSEMBLY MEET

(International News Service.)
Stockholm, Dec. 3.—Bolshevik leaders in Petrograd are doing their utmost to affect an armistice as a preliminary to a separate peace before the constitutional assembly meets on Dec. 11, according to a dispatch from Haparranda today.

The results so far show that the general election in Russia has weakened the authority of the Bolsheviks.

Zurich, Dec. 3.—The Turkish government has consented to enter into negotiations with Russia for an armistice according to reports from Vienna today.

ALABAMA RAISES WAR WORK FUND

GOES OVER THE TOP WITH TWENTY THOUSAND TO THE GOOD.

Alabama has raised its allotment of the fund for the army work of the Young Men's Christian Association. Reports coming in today indicate that the state has gone over the top with approximately \$321,547 pledged on an allotment of \$300,000.

The campaign awakened intense interest in every town and hamlet in the state visited by the workers. The cities of Birmingham and Selma and a number of counties exceeded their goals.

The returns from the counties, showing the county organizations are as yet incomplete. The total reports to date show the following amounts subscribed in the various districts: Birmingham and vicinity, \$95,594; Mobile, city, \$24,300; total for district (8 counties), \$28,870; Montgomery, city, \$15,500; total for district (9 counties), \$26,400; Huntsville district (11 counties), \$26,760; Anniston district (11 counties), \$42,425; Jasper district (5 counties), \$15,885; Tuscaloosa district (7 counties), \$22,500; Troy district (8 counties), \$15,500; Selma district (3 counties), \$21,113; Opelika district (4 counties), \$12,000; Pensacola district, \$14,500. Totals for state and West Florida, \$321,547.00.

Lecture at Decatur City Hall on Friday

Ralph M. Barrow, state superintendent of Alabama Children's Aid Society, Alabama's charity for children, will lecture at Decatur city hall on Friday evening, December 7, at 7:30 under the auspices of the Federated Clubs of Albany-Decatur and the Ladies' Benevolent Society. Men and women are urged to attend this lecture, as it means the finding of homes for dependent children for which there is no provision made.

Eleven Men Leave For Camp Tomorrow

Eleven Morgan county men will report at the court house tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock for military service and will leave Wednesday at 11:25 over the Southern railway for Camp Pike, Ark.

Among the men who will go forward is Joseph M. Pettey, former captain of Company E, and prominent in Albany. Mr. Pettey has been rejected as a volunteer several times for physical reasons, but was accepted under the draft.

The men who have been called are: John F. Black, Samuel H. Maxwell, Robt. E. Kirkland, Charlie Pool, Oswald A. Blankenship, Joseph M. Pettey, Chas. O. Roberts, Joseph H. Crews, Ben T. Collier, Robert Willis, George Beal, Winford Carbon.

Observe This For Quick Service

For errand service call—Western Union, No. 1, Sam Nelson; No. 2, Harvey Lee.

LOST—Golden opportunities by not advertising in the Daily's want ad column. Twenty-five words for twenty-five cents. Three times for the cost of two.

We have and maintain the reputation of always selling the best goods and charging the least price.

J. W. THORNTON

AMUSEMENTS

"SHALL WE FORGIVE HER" DELITE AND STAR TODAY.

"Shall We Forgive Her" was a famous and mighty successful stage play. Now it has been made into a motion picture by World-Picture Brady-Made and it will be shown by the Star and Delite theatres today.

June Elvidge and Arthur Ashley are the stars in this production and they are assisted by a truly notable company of film favorites. The story tells of the life and adventures of a charming young girl who believes in her childhood lover and who goes west to marry him when he writes and tells her that he has made good and is prosperous. But the man does not marry her and she escapes and comes east where she falls in love with a reputable young man whom she finally marries. But the man from the west comes back and fractures her happiness. Then comes the really startling feature of the story—the manner in which the wife's happiness is regained. Miss Elvidge in the role of the young girl and wife is altogether delightful. Arthur Ashley is properly vicious in just the right way.

WAR DEMAND FOR COTTON.

Machine Gun Uses Bale in Three Minutes, and Wounds Require Tons.

Five thousand pounds of cotton a minute are used in a naval battle like the one off Jutland. This, in part, explains the great war demand for this product. A machine gun uses up a bale of cotton in three minutes, and a 12-inch gun requires half a bale for every shot. Twenty thousand bales a year are needed for surgical dressings. It requires more than a million bales for one change of apparel for all the troops engaged in war.

Mrs. Alice Watkins Dies in Kentucky

Friends here have been advised of the death of Mrs. Alice Watkins at Elizabethton, Ky., on Friday of last week. Mrs. Watkins, the mother of Mrs. George L. Bowles, formerly lived here, where she had many friends. She was a member of the Central Baptist church and a woman of splendid Christian character. Funeral services were held at Elizabethton on Sunday.

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CLUB CALENDAR

Tuesday.

Community League (3 o'clock)—Mrs. Clyde Hendrix.
Woman's Literary Club—Mrs. J. H. Donnell.

Wednesday.

Married Ladies' Bridge—Music Study Club—Mrs. Moebes.
Benevolent Society—Morgan County National Bank.

Thursday.

Silk Stocking Club—Mrs. Idelle Malone.

Friday.

Auction Bridge—

Miss Lillian Alexander left Sunday evening for Florence to resume her studies at the Florence Normal school, after spending the holidays as the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Lide.

Miss Kathleen Almon and attractive guest, Miss Estelle Dowling, have returned to Sullings College, at Bristol, where they are students.

AUSTIN-ADAY.

Sam Austin left yesterday for Houston, Texas, where he will be united in marriage to Mrs. A. S. Aday, returning here the latter part of this week. The contracting parties are life long residents here and have many friends who will be interested. Mr. Austin has been a prominent man here for many years, and the bride-to-be resided here many years before going to Texas several years ago. She is a much beloved woman in this community and will be welcomed on her return.

HUDSON-RIVENBACH.

Dr. and Mrs. O. L. Rivenbach, of Hartford, Ala., announce the engagement of their daughter, Marie, to Mr. Cleveland W. Hudson, of Montgomery, the wedding to take place the latter part of December.—Montgomery Advertiser.

The foregoing announcement will be read with interest here, where Miss Rivenbach is pleasantly remembered, having visited her sister, Mrs. Herbert M. Odum, two years ago.

SATURDAY CLUB.

Mrs. F. A. Bloodworth, chairman. Miss Mary Banks, secretary. Miss Mary Banks, hostess. Saturday afternoon the Saturday club met with Miss Mary Banks.

Roll call response—Paintings of Fra Angelico and Fra Filippo.

The Early Pre-Raphaelites.

History and Character of Fra Angelico's Work—Mrs. Calvin.

Reading—Fra Lippo Lippi—Brown.

General discussion of pictures.

Federation report—Mrs. John D. Wyker.

During the social hour refreshments were served. A number of guests enjoyed the program.

ANNIVERSARY SURPRISE FOR MISS LOIS GOODWIN.

The numerous friends of Miss Lois Goodwin surprised her on her sixteenth anniversary. About thirty slipped in to the manse Thursday to celebrate the happy event. The hours passed pleasantly with reading and music. A large birthday cake decorated with sixteen candles concealed a thimble, coin and ring, the cutting for which was most pleasing.

CHRISTMAS PACKAGES FOR CANTONMENTS.

The quota of Christmas packages for the cantonments is not full. Those interested will please remit to Mrs. J. H. Donnell, chairman of the committee. One hundred packages must still be sent this week.

ALBANY RED CROSS CALENDAR.

Tuesday—Mrs. Bullard.
Wednesday—Miss Mollie Odum.
Thursday—Mrs. W. R. Hall.

Friday—open day—Any and all ladies of the chapter are urged to come and sew, as the work room is open all day.

TEMPLE SISTERHOOD.

Temple Sisterhood will meet on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Elks hall.

Mrs. J. S. Patterson, secretary.

SILK STOCKING CLUB.

Mrs. Idelle Malone will be hostess to the Silk Stocking Club Thursday afternoon.

Miss Jen Reeves returned last night from Athens, where she spent the holidays.

Mrs. J. M. Robinson returned Saturday from Nashville.

Mrs. A. B. Hodgins has returned from Texas, where she was called by the death of a brother, the late George Lindsey.

Little Dorothy Buttrey is able to be out after an illness of several days.

Miss Allison Van Nette left at noon today for the University of Alabama to resume her studies, after spending the holidays here as the guest of Miss Kate Hardage.

Miss Lucile Logan, who visited Mrs. Charles Odum, returned to Columbia, this afternoon.

Miss Mary Anderson, of Athens, is visiting her uncle, D. P. Humphrey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smiley, accompanied by Mrs. S. Neidinger, Mrs. Roy Horton, Mrs. Guy Bowman and Col. Perth went to Montgomery Sunday morning to remain until Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Warren returned to Birmingham Sunday, having spent the Thanksgiving season with Mrs. Gus Blackwell, the mother of Mrs. Warren.

INFORMAL DANCE.

About twenty couples went to the Walder Place Saturday to enjoy a last evening with Mrs. Edmundson's delightful guests. They took from seven till eleven a six-piece orchestra and (closed from 8:30 to 12 o'clock. A 11 o'clock sandwiches and coffee was served.

Mrs. John Huff and daughters, Marie and Cornelia, have returned to Chattanooga, having attended the Kuhn-Swanson nuptials.

Miss Marie Kimbrough is in Hartselle today.

Miss Margaret Penick returned to Nashville this afternoon, where she is a student at Ward-Belmont.

Mrs. Will Jackson, of Moulton, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. T. Seamons.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Day have returned from Sheffield, where they spent Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Nuna Gillentine, of Trinity, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kihl.

Mrs. R. E. Chandler and children have returned from a visit to Jackson county.

PERSONALS

W. R. Duke, of Denver, is here on business.

John L. Brock is expected here tomorrow from Denver.

Major B. F. Holmes is in the city.

Solicitor D. C. Almon and Judge O. Kyle are at Huntsville, where the Madison county circuit court convenes today with Judge Kyle presiding.

Walter Mitweede was here Saturday from Camp Wheeler, having been granted a short furlough. He has just recovered from an attack of pneumonia.

A. B. Hodgins is improving from an accident to one of his legs, though still confined to his home.

Corporal Ralph W. White has returned to Camp Wheeler after spending Thanksgiving with his mother, Mrs. E. D. White.

Haywood Martin left Saturday at noon to report for duty at Washington.

R. E. Chandler is improved after an illness.

P. G. Kimbrough, with J. J. Cudd, of Hartselle, went to Columbia, Tenn., this morning on business.

Pat Kimbrough, Jr., has returned from Birmingham, where he visited his brother, William, during the holidays.

Lieut. Perry Jackson Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Edwards, left Sunday morning for New York to report for active duty at Little Silver, N. J. He is a member of the signal corps.

The Delirium of Arabs.

Observation by travelers and others who have visited in Palestine show that the Arabs of the Syrian Desert have an extraordinary fondness for tobacco. A few whiffs make them giddy and give them a headache. Even a cigarette is too much for them. A common smoke among Arabs consists of the dry leaves of a plant belonging to the genus Hyoscyamus, and called by the Arabs "Sekharan." It has fleshy leaves and purple flowers. The smoking of these leaves produces a sort of intoxication or delirium, which the Arabs prefer to the "white man's smoke."

Smoking Backwards.

The peculiarities of the ancient smokers are themselves a study as well as an education. The negroes smoke with the lighted end of the cigar in their mouth—let the reader picture in his mind a man smoking with the lighted end of a cigar or cigarette stuck calmly in his mouth; no fear of burning the tongue or other possible harm; just smoking and enjoying the weed as would the most unconcerned among white men, who prefer the lighted end the other way around.

NOTICE.

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FORTY MILLIONS ALREADY SPENT OF RED CROSS FUND

Washington, Dec. 3.—Six months of effort to meet the most far-reaching appeals in history is described in a report to the American people made public by the war council of the American Red Cross.

It is the council's first semi-annual report and it tells how more than \$40,000,000 of the \$100,000,000 war fund contributed by the people has been allotted for expenditure at home and abroad.

Demands from Europe continue to increase and on the recent basis of expenses the council estimates that the war fund will not last much beyond spring. So far about \$25,000,000 in cash has been paid into the fund by the subscribers.

Where Money Goes.

Of \$40,272,657 appropriated by the council \$7,659,000 has been advanced to chapters for purchase of material and will be refunded. For work abroad \$27,885,816 has been appropriated, \$20,601,240 of the amount going to France, where suffering has been "beyond description." For work outside of France, exclusive of \$750,000 recently sent for emergency relief in Italy, the following appropriations have been made:

Belgium, \$702,001; England, \$1,066,520; Italy, \$214,000; Russia, \$1,359,440; Roumania, \$1,518,398; Serbia, \$493,203; Armenians and Syrians, \$1,800,000; others, \$113,012.

Details Are Given.

The report describes in detail how all this money has been spent and tells of the vast organization set up by the war board since its appointment. It records the formation of the Junior Red Cross, naval auxiliaries, the camp service bureau, the sanitary service bureau and other divisions and describes the membership campaign which brought the number of Red Cross members beyond the 5,000,000 mark.

Great Aims Outlined.

The great aims of the war council are set forth as follows:

"1. To be ready to care for our soldiers and sailors on duty whenever and wherever that care may be needed.

"2. To shorten the war by strengthening the morale of the allied peoples and their armies, by alleviating their sufferings in the period which must elapse until the American army can become fully effective abroad.

"3. To lay foundations for an enduring peace by extending a message of practical relief and sympathy to the civilian population among our allies, carrying to them an expression of the finest side of the American character."

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TWELVE MACHINE GUNS CAPTURED BY BRITISH.

London, Dec. 3.—German forces switched their attacks to the northern side of Cambrai during the night and assaulted the British positions around Moeuvres, but were unable to gain any additional ground, the war office announced today. The attacking Teutons were hurled back, leaving a number of prisoners and 12 machine guns in the hands of the British. There was heavy artillery duelling all along the line south of Cambrai during the night.

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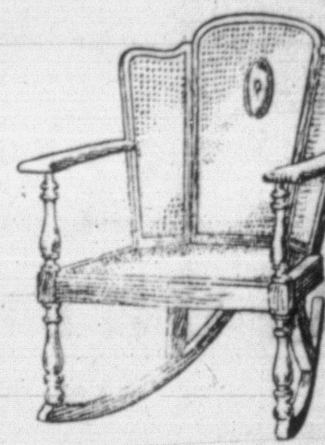
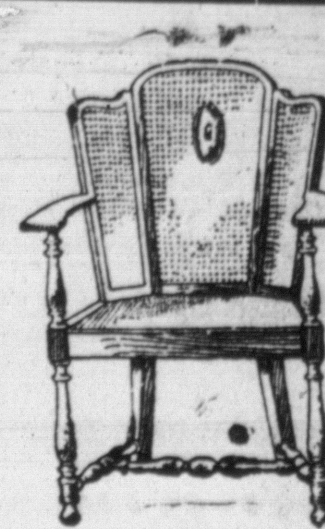
To My Friends

I wish to announce that I will be on the corner of Second avenue and Johnston street with wagon from now on, handling all kinds of Christmas goods, fancy baskets, fruit, etc. Please call by and leave your orders. Same will be delivered anywhere in the Twin Cities. I also wish to announce that any orders given to solicitors representing the Square Deal Coffee Co. will be appreciated by me.

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Freight Rates in Alabama

A petition has been filed by the undersigned railroads, with the Alabama Public Service Commission, proposing a revision of Alabama freight rates, conforming to the principles followed by the Interstate Commerce Commission in its long and short haul order issued in compliance with Federal law. The Commission has set Jan. 16th as the date on which the hearing is to be held.

PURPOSES OF PETITION.

The purposes of the proposed revision in Alabama are:

First: To make an adjustment of intrastate rates that will conform to the long and short haul principles prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commission in connection with interstate rates, thereby removing numerous inconsistencies and unjust discriminations in favor of the larger cities or communities and against the smaller towns or communities.

Second: To bring about a proper and consistent relationship in the intrastate rates applicable between points in Alabama and the interstate rates applicable between points in Alabama and points in surrounding states, thereby removing numerous inconsistencies and unjust discriminations against interstate traffic.

Third: To readjust the intrastate Alabama rates on many commodities moving in large volume, which do not now pay their just share of the cost of transportation, thereby removing this unjust discrimination against other traffic.

Fourth: To afford the carriers in Alabama more adequate revenue from intrastate freight transportation for the service performed.

TO FURNISH INFORMATION.

The effect of this proposed revision will be to produce both reductions and advances in the freight rates between points in Alabama on the several lines and will also remove many discriminations between interstate rates and intrastate rates which have been accentuated by the recent interstate revision made in conformity with the order of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

For the purpose of furnishing authoritative information in regard to the rates proposed in this revision, there will be located at the Exchange Hotel in Montgomery, Alabama, for the week of Dec. 10th, to Dec. 15th, inclusive, a committee composed of the following traffic representatives:

C. H. Pearson, Assistant General Freight Agent, Alabama Great Southern R. R.; C. B. Kealhofer, General Freight Agent, Atlanta, Birmingham & Atlantic Ry.; C. McD. Davis, General Freight Agent, Atlantic Coast Line R. R.; N. B. Wright, Assistant Freight Traffic Manager, Central of Georgia Ry.; W. H. Grumley, Assistant General Freight Agent, Mobile & Ohio R. R.; J. H. Toomer, Jr., Assistant General Freight Agent, Seaboard Air Line Ry.; E. H. Snaw, Freight Traffic Manager, Southern Railway and Northern Alabama Ry.; Frank G. Browder, Jr., General Agent, Western Railway of Alabama.

A DECLARATION OF POLICY

It is not and will not be the policy of the undersigned railroads to propose any system of rates which would unjustly discriminate against the Alabama producer in favor of producers located without the state. Should this policy appear to be violated by any technical construction of our petition we give assurance that we will not propose, nor will we attempt to adopt, in actual practice, any rates at variance with the same.

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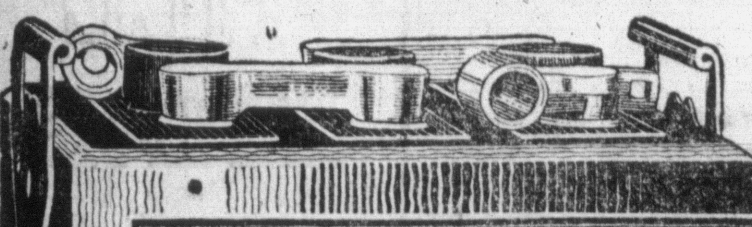
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We have arranged for a series of six interesting articles, "War Talks, by Uncle Dan," written by Mr. Howard H. Gross, president of the Universal Military Training League, of which this is the first. They tell in a graphic way why military training is of value, both to the nation and to the individual, and our readers will find them of unusual interest.

WAR TALKS

By UNCLE DAN

Number One

America Must Fight Hard or Germany May Win—Necessity for Military Training.

"Now, Billie," said his mother, "your Uncle Dan is coming tomorrow to spend a week with us on the farm, and if you want to know about the war, here's your opportunity. Uncle Dan is probably one of the best-informed men in the country." Billie clapped his hands and gave such a whoop that he awakened the baby, but what could you expect of a fifteen-year-old boy who is a living interrogation point and wants to know about war?

Uncle Dan arrived in due time and Billie watched for an opportunity. It came that evening after dinner when Uncle Dan had lighted a cigar and taken a seat on the porch.

"I'm mighty glad you came, Uncle Dan. I want to talk to you about the war. We have just put military training in our township high school, but we had a hard time to do it. The Joneses and the Greggs objected. They said the war wouldn't come over here. Grandma Jones said: 'They ain't no use to worrit, it will soon blow over. Well, we put the training in just the same. You order heard Judge Brownell, the president of the school board do the slackers up. He said unless we take off our coats and go to it, Germany may yet win, and if she does, she will take over the great British fleet as a war trophy and compel us to do what ever she wants to; that she could make us pay all the cost of the war; the Kaiser could tax us as he pleased and that we couldn't help ourselves. He could make every one pay over a pair of what he earns; that he could make the farmers pay rent for their own farms, etc. Now, Uncle, what do you think of that?"

"Well, my boy," said Uncle Dan, "all that Judge Brownell says might easily come true and may unless we go quickly to the aid of the allies, will break the German line. Unless we can beat the submarines, they may prevent us from getting enough food to the allies to keep them going. In that case Germany would win. As matters stand today, our greatest need is trained men. If we had had several millions of men with military training in our industries and on our farms when the war came, who could have been called at once for service, I do not believe the Kaiser would have forced the war upon us. As it was, he had no respect for us, and now we are in it and must go through with it. But never again must we be caught so wholly unprepared."

"There is only one safe way," said Uncle Dan, "and that is to adopt permanently universal military training, apply it to every young man who is physically fit, say in his nineteenth or twentieth year. The training can be carried forward in the United States training camps that are now being established for training men called by the selective draft. As soon as these men vacate these stations, they should be filled by younger men, and this should be made the permanent policy of the country."

Billie's mother, Mrs. Graham, had overheard the conversation. She came out and said: "Really, Brother Dan, are you serious as to the dangers of our country? If it is as bad as that, it is high time for us to wake up and do something about it."

"Exactly," replied Uncle Dan. "It is better to wake up now than to be rudely awakened later. We may as well understand, sister, that this is our war and we must win it or God help America. Everything that we have or hope to have—our liberties, our blessings, our opportunities are all involved in the great issue before us. Nothing must stand between us and winning this war. It is a question whether the peoples' right or the Kaiser's might shall dominate the world. If there ever was a holy war, this is it. We are fighting for world liberty. We are fighting for the freedom of humanity. We are fighting for the right of men to govern themselves instead of being governed against their will by a war-mad overlord. Perilous times are ahead of us. We must be prepared to make any sacrifice, to perform any service that may be required of us."

"Oh, Uncle Dan," exclaimed Billie, "may I bring my chum, Jimmie Collins, when we have our next talk? He is a bug on this war business and just crazy to see you."

"Certainly," said Uncle Dan, with a hearty laugh. "If we are to have more talks, I shall be glad to have Jimmie join us."

Billie clapped his hands and ran to the phone and told Jimmie to be over at seven o'clock the next evening.

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Big Congregation Hears New Pastor

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men and women who love the Lord will rally to it all the more on account of the difficulties confronting us. Great possibilities are ever accompanied by great problems. They who are unwilling to face great problems never achieve great things.

God Raised Up a Leader.

Moses knew how to care for the flocks of his father-in-law and was not a candidate for the position of leader to the Israelites. But God had this work for him and overcame all his objections. Too often we desire our own way and for God to go with us. We reach our best only as we are willing for Him to show us the way and are willing to go with Him in the assurance on your part of your conviction that God led you to call me, and my conviction that He overcame my every objection to coming, could have brought me from my pleasant and much smaller pastorate to become your fellow-worker in this great church. If we will let Him lead we may expect great things.

What kind of men has God used with whom to do great things? Noah, Abraham, Jacob, Moses, David, Elijah, Jonah, Simon Peter, Saul of Tarsus, Martin Luther—all these were prone to sin and full of imperfections. But it seems that God always chooses this kind of a man. He who has no possibilities of evil has not enough energy to do much good. The horse too gentle to "shy" at anything is also too lazy to get up a trot when that is needed. And so God has chosen imperfect men with whom to do His great work. Were you seeking a perfect man as pastor? If so, you have never had a greater disappointment than that which you are now about to receive. Then, I am wondering if a perfect man would not be altogether out of place among you—or in any church of which I know.

Men Among Men as Ministers.

This naturally follows from that which has already been said. It is sometimes asserted that there are three kinds of people—men, women and preachers. But such was not the intention of God. He would have His man a man among men, not something apart from humanity. This leader chosen of God mingled with the people as one of them. And he who would help humanity must be human.

Church Not a One-Ring Circus.

Moses had made the mistake early in his leadership of Israel of trying to carry out all the details of his plans. But he had a wise father-in-law who paid him a visit and taught him some sense along this line. After that Moses learned to do his work through others.

Sometimes a church has the idea of a pastor that all the work of the church is to be placed on him. It is said that a new pastor asked one of his deacons to lead in prayer. The deacon replied: "You pray yourself; that's what we are paying you for." And there are other churches which seem to have about the same idea. But such a course would be disastrous to the church.

And some preachers seem to have about the same idea of their work. The son of a distinguished ex-president of our country said of his father: "Father has to be the main show in anything he goes into. If he attends a wedding, he wants to be the bride and if he goes to a funeral he wishes to be the corpse." It will not do for a pastor to have the same idea of himself. He is not to be the only actor in a one-ring circus, but one of the performers in a great company of people working together. My success will be assured more by what you do than by what I do. I seek to be one of the workers, not the worker.

The difference between an army and a mob is not in the nature of the men, but lies in the training and organization of the army which is lacking in the mob. Many a church is more nearly a mob than an army. What we need is to organize so that we will be like an army marching forward under God and keep step with Him.

War Balloon at Large in Kansas

Kansas City, Dec. 3.—"Somewhere in Kansas" a mammoth army balloon which escaped from Omaha yesterday, dragging 6,000 feet of 2-inch cable, is tearing its way through the sky, demolishing wire fences, wires and small buildings. The progress of the balloon is somewhat hampered by the accumulation of barbed wire on the cable, which has added to the danger.

The Western Union offices at Kansas City today reported the story balloon "somewhere in Oklahoma."

Plenty of Food For American Boys In France, Writes R. T. Dobbins

Robert Taylor Dobbins, son of T. M. Dobbins, of Hillsboro, who enlisted in the ambulance corps of the American army and is now in France, in a recent letter to his father told of his experiences at the front.

The letter follows:

In France, Nov. 8, 1917.
We are located now for the most of the winter, for two months anyway, in an excellent place for driving. We are in a big house, used once for a hotel, with all kinds of good fires, etc. We have two first aid posts up near the lines where some of us stay, but is isn't so very dangerous. From those two posts we work about 20 first aid posts about 1,000 yards from the German line. Sometimes we go up closer. We all have cars and often we go 20 or 30 miles away and in this way we have seen quite a bit of France. I am now at our headquarters and will be here about a week. Then I will go up to relieve one of the other fellows for a week.

Everybody is lively and as happy as they can be. There are two big cities near and every two or three days we go to them. Twelve of us were in a show at one of them about three weeks ago. After the show a big dinner was given us by some

French officers, and it was certainly fine. There is enough food issued us for everybody to have all he wants, and more, too, cooked by two American and two French cooks. I am mighty proud of having studied French, for I don't know what I would do without it. There are only five in the section who can speak it.

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Allen C. Howard.
Ernest V. Smith.
Lanford S. Slaton.
Herbert L. Thornton.
Harry F. Nance.
Leroy Strong.
Clyde McEntire.

Freeman and Slutsky Open Shoe Shop

The Champion Shoe Shop and the Guarantee Shoe Hospital have been consolidated under the firm name of Freeman and Slutsky and will be conducted at 712 and 714 Second avenue. Mr. Freeman was here, until a year ago, in business, and is well known to the people of these cities. Mr. Slutsky is his nephew and each are experts in the shoe repairing line.

Shipping Board Says Needs More Power

(International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 3.—The present powers of the shipping board are inadequate to meet the existing emergency, due to German submarine activity, according to the first annual report of the federal shipping board sent to congress today. The board holds that it needs additional powers to permit control of ocean freight rates and to further regulate and control shipping generally.

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